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SUBJECT: EC POLITICAL CONSULTATIONS: OVERVIEW OF

CURRENT WORK

BEGIN SUMMARY: FONOFF DIRECTOR FOR EC POLITICAL INTEGRATION PROVIDED EMBOFF OCT 23 WITH OVERVIEW OF CURRENT WORK UNDERWAY IN EC POLITICAL COMMITTEE AND WORKING GROUPS. CURRENT FOCUS IS ON U.S./EUROPEAN RELATIONS, EC IDENTITY, CSCE AND THE MIDDLE-EAST.
END SUMMARY

1. U.S./EUROPEAN RELATIONS AND EC IDENTITY. FONOFF REP NOTED THAT CURRENT RELATIONS WITH THE U.S. OVER A U.S./EC DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES HAS IN THE LAST FEW MONTHS BECOME THE MAIN FOCUS OF POLITICAL COMMITTEE (PC) ACTIVITIES. WHILE THE GROUP OF CORRESPONDENTS HAS BEEN ACTING AS A KIND OF AD HOC WORKING GROUP ON THIS QUESTION AS WELL AS ON THE QUESTION OF EC IDENTITY, THE IMPORTANCE OF THESE QUESTIONS HAS IN FACT MEANT THAT THE POLITICAL DIRECTORS THEMSELVES HAVE CONSTITUTED A KIND OF WORKING GROUP ON THESE SUBJECTS. FURTHER, ACCORDING TO FONOFF REP, THE U.S./EUROPEAN EXERCISE HAS LENT "AN ENORMOUS STIMULUS" TO THE KIND OF INTERACTION BETWEEN EC PERM REPS AND POLITICAL COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES WHICH THE FRG HAS LONG URGED AND SUPPORTED. IN THIS RESPECT, THE CURRENT ACTIVITIES OF EC PERM REPS REGARDING U.S./EC DECLARATION WAS CITED AS A CASE IN POINT. AS TO GROUP OF CORRESPONDENTS AD HOC WORKING GROUP ON EUROPEAN IDENTITY, FONOFF REP SAID CORRESPONDENTS WOULD MEET AGAIN ON THIS SUBJECT OCT 30 AND HOPED TO PRESENT FIRST DRAFT TO NOV 12-13 POLITICAL COMMITTEE MEETING. CONSIDERATION IS NOW BEING GIVEN WITHIN THE GROUP OF CORRESPONDENTS TO EVENTUAL PUBLICATION OF THE EC IDENTITY PAPER AS A WAY TO SELL THE CONCEPT OF EVOLVING EUROPEAN UNION TO EUROPEAN AND AMERICAN PUBLIC OPINION.

2. CSCE. FONOFF REP SAID CSCE HAD, PRIOR TO U.S./EUROPEAN EXERCISE, BEEN THE MAIN FOCUS OVER THE LAST TWO YEARS OF EC POLITICAL CONSULTATIONS. HE EXPRESSED THE VIEW, STRONGLY HELD HERE IN BONN, THAT EC
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COORDINATION OF POSITION ON CSCE HAD MADE A GENUINE DIFFERENCE IN THE WAY THAT THE CONFERENCE HAD DEVELOPED
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SO FAR. HE SAID EC-9 REPS WERE DETERMINED TO CONTINUE
WITH THIS WORK AND THAT POLITICAL DIRECTORS WERE
SERVING AS A KIND OF SUPERVISORY BODY IN RELATION TO
EC-9 CONSULTATIONS ON THE SCENE IN GENEVA.

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3. MIDDLE-EAST. FONOFF REP RECALLED THAT INITIAL INTENSIVE ACTIVITY OF EC-9 MIDDLE-EAST GROUP, FOLLOWING INCEPTION OF POLITICAL COMMITTEE IN NOV 1970, HAD SLOWED DOWN TO A CONTINUING INFORMAL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS FOLLOWING THE PUBLICATION OF THE EC-9 MIDDLE-EAST PAPER IN DIE WELT. HOWEVER, FONOFF REP SAID CURRENT MIDDLE-EAST WAR AND WAXING ANXIETY OVER OIL RESOURCES HAD CONVINCED MOST EC MEMBER STATES THAT A NEW MANDATE WAS REQUIRED FOR MIDDLE-EAST GROUP. FONOFF REP SAID HE THOUGHT THIS MANDATE, UNDEFINED, MIGHT BE FORTHCOMING BEFORE OR BY THE PC AND MINISTERIAL MEETINGS, WHICH ARE SCHEDULED FOR NOV 12-13 AND 20.

4. OTHER REGIONAL WORKING GROUPS. FONOFF REP SAID WORKING GROUP ON ASIA CONTINUED TO HAVE USEFUL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON CURRENT TOPICS RELATING TO THE FAR EAST, SE ASIA, AND THE INDIAN SUBCONTINENT. HE SAID AFRICAN GROUP PROBABLY WOULD BE CONSTITUTED IN THE NEAR FUTURE AND THAT AD HOC WORKING GROUP, WHICH MIGHT BECOME FORMAL WORKING GROUP, WOULD MEET AT THE END OF THIS MONTH ON LATIN-AMERICAN PROBLEMS. L.A. WORKING GROUP WOULD FOCUS IN FORTHCOMING MEETING ON CHILE. FONOFF REP SAID THE MEDITERRANEAN WORKING GROUP, WHICH NEVER REALLY GOT OFF THE GROUND, "CONTINUES TO SLEEP."

5. COMMENT. CLEAR THRUST OF FONOFF REP'S REMARKS WERE PRIDE AND ENCOURAGEMENT CONCERNING AUGMENTATION OF EC READINESS TO SPEAK WITH ONE VOICE ON FOREIGN POLICY PROBLEMS AND TO DEVELOP POSITIONS AS A RESULT OF CLOSE INTERREACTION BETWEEN EC AND POLITICAL COMMITTEE INSTITUTIONS. EQUALLY CLEAR IMPLICATION WAS THAT U.S./ EUROPEAN DECLARATION EXERCISE AND RECENT U.S. PRESENTATION IN NAC ON MIDDLE-EAST HAD BEEN CONTRIBUTING FACTORS TO INCREASING AWARENESS OF EC VOICE.
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